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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mutsumi FUJIHARA, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: DATA MANAGEMENT METHOD AND STORAGE MEDIUM STORING DATA MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

**Reference AO (JP 6-309295) on PTO-1449**

This reference shows a method how to simulate a discrete event system using a database which registers a record to plural indexes depending on the contents of the record.

**Reference AP (JP 6-149634) on PTO-1449**

This reference relates to a method registering a record to plural indexes depending on the contents of the record, but every index entry is a record itself, and sorting rule (key) is specified for each index.

**Reference AW (Mutsumi FUJIHARA, et al.) on PTO-1449**

This reference relates to a method registering a record to plural indexes depending on the contents of the record, but every index entry is a record itself, and the relation between a field and an entry is not disclosed.

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION YES	NO
	AO	JP 6-309295	11/04/94	JAPAN (w/English Abstract)		x
	AP	JP 6-149634	05/31/94	JAPAN (w/English Abstract)		x
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## OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	AW	Mutsumi FUJIHARA, et al., "SIMULATION THROUGH EXPLICIT STATE DESCRIPTION AND ITS APPLICATION TO SEMICONDUCTOR FAB OPERATION", Proceedings of the 1992 Winter Simulation Conference, 1992, pp 899-907
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